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A State appellate court has halted all construction work on the MTA's Orange Line busway project in the San Fernando Valley, pending completion of additional environmental review. The project is now over 30% complete. If this court order stands, delays in the project's completion could cost the MTA over \$100 million. State funding for the project in the amount of \$68 million could be lost. A permanent injunction would mean that businesses, residents, schools, churches and synagogues located along and adjacent to the line would have to endure as many as nine additional months of disruption caused by construction activities. This project promises to lessen traffic congestion, improve air quality and increase mobility. A delay in completion of this much-needed transportation artery would cause great harm, without any concomitant benefit, to the residents and businesses of the San Fernando Valley and of the County as a whole.

WE, THEREFORE, MOVE that the Board of Supervisors respectfully request that the court consider the impact this decision, if upheld, will have on taxpayers, businesses and residents of the San Fernando Valley and of Los Angeles County as a whole; and urge the MTA to fight this decision with all means at its disposal.

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